(b) the legal framework that her Ministry is proposing, through the proposed Bill, to protect the parents; and

(c) the number of elderly people living in the country, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (b) Yes, Madam. The Bill is under preparation.

(c) The information is available at the website *www.censusindia.net* and in the book "Tables on Census 2001" published by the Office of Registrar General, India.

Demand for equipment in District Disability Rehabilitation Centres

176. SHRI TARIQ ANWAR: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the status of demand and supply of supporting equipment for handicapped persons from District Disability Rehabilitation Centres in Bihar and Maharashtra during the year 2004-05 and 2005-06;

(b) the measures taken to ensure the supply of equipment as per the demand; and

(c) the details of the camps organized to provide handicap supporting equipment in Bihar and Maharashtra during the last three years, location-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (SHRIMATI SUBBULAKSHMI JAGADEESAN): (a) and (b) District Disability Rehabilitation Centres (DDRCs) of Maharashtra and Bihar have been provided aids and appliances by the National Institutes and Artificial Limb Manufacturing Corporation (ALIMCO) as per their requirements.

(c) During the last three years, 90 camps in Bihar and 197 camps in Maharashtra have been organized.

Camps in Bihar have been organized in the districts of Bhagalpur, Buxar, Bhojpur, Banka, Jahanabad, Kaimur, Khagaria, Kishanganj, Munger, Muzaffarpur, Nalanda, Nawada, Patna, Purnia, Rohtas, Saran, Shekhpura, Sheohar, Sitamarhi, Siwan, Samastipur, East Champaran, West Champaran and Vaishali.

Camps in Maharashtra have been organized in the districts of Ahmednagar, Aurangabad, Beed, Dhule, Jalgaon, Kolhapur, Latur, Mumbai City, Nasik, Ratnagiri, Singhudurg, Thane and Yavatmal.